

The Progressive Party is not doing so well, and its support is falling off, according to the latest Roper poll of public opinion. This is on page 7. For the details...

THE CHALLENGERS

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Western Envoys May Take Case To Stalin

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German workmen unload wooden coffins beside ruins of the I. G. Farben Co. chemical plant at Ludwigshafen, Germany, to receive bodies of persons killed in the explosion that wrecked the buildings. Continued explosions Thursday imperiled rescue squads searching for hundreds still missing in the wreckage. (AP Wirephoto via radio from Frankfurt.)

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Garbage Pickup Slowed

There are sixteen neighborhoods in Charlotte so inaccessible that garbage trucks can't even get to them. This figure was given today by O. C. Fogus of the City Sanitary Department.

Expert's Opinion

Although files are capable of carrying the poliomyelitis virus, the medical director of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis doesn't blame the fly alone for North Carolina epidemic.

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